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## **GlaxoSmithKline Awards Berks County Healthcare Nonprofit with \$40,000 in Funding**

*(Local Nonprofit Receives GlaxoSmithKline 12<sup>th</sup> Annual IMPACT Award)*

**PHILADELPHIA (January 2009)** – GlaxoSmithKline, one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies, has announced the recipients of the GlaxoSmithKline 12<sup>th</sup> Annual IMPACT Awards for providing access to community healthcare services. Co-County Wellness Services, located in Reading, Pa. (Berks County), will receive \$40,000 in funding. A ceremony will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at GlaxoSmithKline in Philadelphia.

**Co-County Wellness Services (AKA Berks AIDS Network)** promotes health and wellness by providing accessible prevention and compassionate care, serving individual and community health needs, including HIV/AIDS ([www.berksaidsnetwork.org](http://www.berksaidsnetwork.org)).

"All of the GlaxoSmithKline 12<sup>th</sup> Annual IMPACT Award winners are committed to the idea that everyone should have better access to healthcare and that no one should fall through the cracks. These organizations are on the front lines as change agents, working to build stronger and healthier communities. They are all deeply committed to their work and clients," said Mary Linda Andrews, GlaxoSmithKline Director, Community Partnerships.

Other grant recipients include the Breastfeeding Resource Center (Montgomery County); Casa Guadalupe Center (Lehigh County); ElderNet of Lower Merion and Narberth (Montgomery County); Family and Community Service of Delaware County; Libertae, Inc. (Bucks County); Public Citizens for Children and Youth (Philadelphia); Resources for Children's Health (Philadelphia); St. Catherine Labouré Medical Clinic (Philadelphia); and Southeast Asian Mutual Assistance Associations Coalition (Philadelphia).

**About the GlaxoSmithKline IMPACT Awards:** To qualify for a GlaxoSmithKline IMPACT Award, applicants must provide access to community healthcare services (primary mission) in the Pennsylvania counties of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery or Philadelphia; have a total annual operating budget of less than \$2.5 million; and have been in existence as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization for at least five years. A panel of local and national healthcare delivery experts and GlaxoSmithKline representatives determined the winners based on a strong demonstration of ongoing success in providing access to healthcare; commitment to serving people in need; facilitation of healthcare delivery, education, creative partnerships and policy development; and a solid record of achievement, management and leadership. For more details on the GlaxoSmithKline IMPACT Awards, visit [www.gsk-us.com](http://www.gsk-us.com) and click "Our work with communities," then click "Health programs," then click "Awards," or call the GlaxoSmithKline Office of Community Partnerships at 215-751-5171.



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